

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L MOSCOW 20688

DEPT PASS EPA FOR SHOSTAL

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SENV, TGEN, UR, US  
SUBJECT: US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT: FORMAL  
SOVIET REPLY TO BLUM VISIT CANCELLATION

REF: STATE 180836

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. ON AUGUST 28 EMBASSY RECEIVED  
LETTER (DATED AUGUST 22) FROM YURIY SEDUNOV, FIRST  
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE COMMITTEE FOR HYDROMETEORO-  
LOGY AND CONTROL OF THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT, TO  
BARBARA BLUM. INFORMAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION FOLLOWS  
PARA 2 BELOW. ORIGINAL POUCHED TO EPA FOR SHOSTAL,  
REGISTRY NO. 1623607.

2. DEAR MRS. BLUM: IN THE ABSENCE AT THE PRESENT  
TIME FROM MOSCOW OF PROF. YURIY IZRAEL', I CONFIRM  
RECEIPT OF YOUR LETTER OF JULY 17, 1978, IN WHICH  
WERE SET FORTH THE MOTIVES FOR THE CANCELLATION OF YOUR  
VISIT TO OUR COUNTRY IN THE PERIOD JULY 9-15 OF THIS  
YEAR. WE CANNOT ACCEPT THE MOTIVES FOR THE CANCELLA-  
TION OF YOUR VISIT TO THE USSR, SINCE THEY ARE UNAD-  
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MISSABLE INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OUR  
COUNTRY AND DAMAGE OUR COOPERATION.

WE ARE DEEPLY CONVINCED OF THE IMPORTANCE AND THE  
MUTUAL BENEFIT OF BILATERAL COOPERATION IN THE AREA OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND OUR DESIRE TO WIDEN AND  
TO DEEPEN IT REMAINS UNCHANGED. SINCERELY, YU. S.

SEDUNOV. END UNCLASSIFIED.

3. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL: SEDUNOV LETTER CLOSELY FOLLOWS  
LANGUAGE USED IN RESPONSE TO OTHER RECENT VISIT CAN-  
CELLATIONS WITHIN THE BILATERAL S&T AGREEMENTS AND  
REPRESENTS ABOUT THE MINIMUM WHICH COULD HAVE BEEN  
EXPECTED, END CONFIDENTIAL. GARRISON

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